



IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
BEAUFORT DIVISION

JARODE J. WITHERSPOON,  
Plaintiff,

vs.

CAPTAIN B. J. TUCKER,  
SGT. JACK ERVIN,  
OFC. MR. JET, TIM RILEY,  
LT. COPELAND,  
V.P. HOOKS,  
SCDC HEADQUARTERS,  
DR. RUSSELL,  
ROBERT E. WARD,  
PREA COMMITTEE,  
and CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS,  
Defendants.

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§ CIVIL ACTION NO. 9:14-3628-MGL-BM  
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ORDER ADOPTING THE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION  
AND DISMISSING THE ACTION WITHOUT PREJUDICE

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This is a 42 U.S.C. § 1983 action. Plaintiff is proceeding pro se. The matter is before the Court for review of the Report and Recommendation (Report) of the United States Magistrate Judge suggesting to the Court that Plaintiff's action be dismissed without prejudice in accordance with Rule 41(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The Report was made in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636 and Local Civil Rule 73.02 for the District of South Carolina.

The Magistrate Judge makes only a recommendation to this Court. The recommendation has no presumptive weight. The responsibility to make a final determination remains with the Court. *Mathews v. Weber*, 423 U.S. 261, 270 (1976). The Court is charged with making a de novo

determination of those portions of the Report to which specific objection is made, and the Court may accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the recommendation of the Magistrate Judge or recommit the matter with instructions. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1).

The Magistrate Judge filed the Report on June 24, 2015, but Plaintiff failed to file any objections.\* “[I]n the absence of a timely filed objection, a district court need not conduct a de novo review, but instead must ‘only satisfy itself that there is no clear error on the face of the record in order to accept the recommendation.’” *Diamond v. Colonial Life & Acc. Ins. Co.*, 416 F.3d 310, 315 (4th Cir. 2005) (quoting Fed. R. Civ. P. 72 advisory committee’s note). Moreover, a failure to object waives appellate review. *Wright v. Collins*, 766 F.2d 841, 845-46 (4th Cir. 1985).

After a thorough review of the Report and the record in this case pursuant to the standard set forth above, the Court adopts the Report and incorporates it herein. Therefore, it is the judgment of the Court that Plaintiff’s action is **DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE** in accordance with Rule 41(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

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\*The Magistrate Judge issued the following order to Plaintiff on June 24, 2015: “You are ordered to always keep the Clerk of Court advised in writing (**Post Office Box 835, Charleston, South Carolina 29402**) if your address changes for any reason, so as to assure that orders or other matters that specify deadlines for you to meet will be received by you. If as a result of your failure to comply with this order, you fail to meet a deadline set by this court, your case may be dismissed for violating this order. Therefore, if you have a change of address before this case is ended, you must comply with this order by immediately advising the Clerk of Court in writing of such change of address and providing the court with the docket number of all pending cases you have filed with this court. Your failure to do so will not be excused by the court.” ECF No. 6:3. But, this Order was returned to the Clerk on July 9, 2015. ECF No. 8. Then, on July 24, 2015, the Report recommending dismissal without prejudice was also returned to the Clerk, marked “RETURN TO SENDER REFUSED UNABLE TO FORWARD. ECF No. 12. Because the Court nor the defendants have any way to contact Plaintiff, the Court is left with no choice but to dismiss the action without prejudice.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Signed this 29th day of July, 2015, in Columbia, South Carolina.

s/ Mary G. Lewis

MARY G. LEWIS

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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**NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL**

Plaintiff is hereby notified of the right to appeal this Order within thirty days from the date hereof, pursuant to Rules 3 and 4 of the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure.